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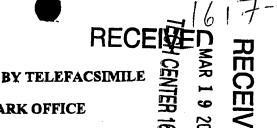
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Application of: Santoro et al.

Application No.: 09/937,322

Filed: September 21, 2001

ATTN: Derek Woods

For: CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS AND THEIR USES

Attorney Docket No.: 10167-013-999

COMMUNICATION REGARDING THE FILING OF PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT AND ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS

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Sir:

In a teleconference on March 7, 2003, Examiner Woods informed attorneys for Applicants that the United States Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") had no record in its files that the documents below had been filed on July 18, 2002 in the USPTO, in connection with the above-identified application:

- a Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment; (1)
- a copy of Notice of Abandonment (Exhibit A); (2)
- a copy of a Transmittal in Response to Notification of Missing (3)

Requirements (Exhibit B);

(4) a copy of a Declaration for Non-Provisional Patent Application

executed by Maria Gabriella Santoro;

CERTIFICATION OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

I hereby certify that this paper is being filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office by facsimile transmission on March 7, 2003 to facsimile telephone number 703-308-6916.

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- (5) a copy of a Declaration for Non-Provisional Patent Application executed by Stanley Michael Roberts;
- (6) a copy of a Declaration for Non-Provisional Patent Application executed by Thierry Guyot;
- (7) a copy of a Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C.§ 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office;
- (8) a copy of a Pennie & Edmonds' log of Express Mail Certification for December 20, 2001;
- (9) a copy of a Post-Card Receipt, which on one side had an itemized list of the papers mailed on December 20, 2001, and Express Mail Label No. EL 477 033 139 US, which was returned to applicant's attorneys stamped received by the USPTO evidencing receipt by the USPTO of the above documents filed on December 20, 2001; and
- (10) a copy of a return postcard, which on one side had an itemized list of the papers mailed on July 18, 2002, and Express Mail Label No. EL 477 037 498 US.

Examiner Woods requested that Applicants send a copy of the above-identified documents (i.e., documents (1) through (10)), along with evidence demonstrating that the documents had in fact been filed in the USPTO on July 18, 2002.

In response, Applicants have attached herewith, as Exhibit 1, a courtesy copy of each of the above-identified documents (i.e., documents (1) through (10)) filed on July 18, 2002 in the USPTO using the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under Express Mail Label No. EL 477 037 498

In support of the fact that documents (1) through (10) were deposited with the United States Postal Service on July 18, 2002 using the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under Express Mail Label No. EL 477 037 498 US and thus, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(a) timely filed in the USPTO, enclosed herewith is a true

copy of Express Mail Label No. EL 477 037 498 US (attached hereto as Exhibit 2) showing the Post Office annotations "date-in" as July 18, 2002 and the "time-in" as 18:27. Also enclosed is a copy of a Post-Card Receipt which was returned to applicant's attorneys stamped received by the USPTO (attached hereto as Exhibit 3) evidencing receipt by the USPTO of the above listed documents.

As demonstrated by the above-mentioned facts and accompanying Exhibits,
Applicants timely filed the Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment on July 18, 2002
and timely and fully responded to the Notification of Missing Requirements 35 U.S.C. § 371
in the United States Designated/Elected Office mailed October 30, 2001. Accordingly,
Applicants respectively request that the USPTO correct its record to reflect the fact that
Applicants timely filed the Petition to Withdraw Holding of Abandonment on July 18, 2002
and timely and completely responded to the Notification of Missing Requirements 35 U.S.C.
§ 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office mailed October 30, 2001. Further,
Applicants respectfully request that this communication and the above-identified documents
be entered into the file of this application. The Examiner is invited to contact the
undersigned with any questions concerning the foregoing.

It is believed that there is no fee required for filing this communication since this filing arises as a result of an error by the USPTO. However, if payment of a fee is required, please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: March 7, 2003

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Application of: Santoro et. al.

Serial No.: 09/937,322

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Filed: September 21, 2001

Attorney Docket No.: 10167-013-999

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Sir:

Applicants hereby respectfully petition to withdraw a holding of abandonment as set forth in a Notice of Abandonment mailed on July 11, 2002 in connection with the above-identified application ("the '322 application") because the application was not abandoned in fact. If after due consideration, Applicants' request is denied, then Applicants petition to revive the '322 application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) as having been unintentionally abandoned.

A copy of the Notice of Abandonment ("Notice") issued by United States Patent and Trademark Office on July 11, 2002 is attached hereto (Exhibit A). The Notice asserts that a timely response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed October 30, 2001 was not received.

On October 30, 2001, the United States Patent and Trademark Office mailed a Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 in the United States

Designated/Elected Office in connection with the '322 application requiring submission of the oath or declaration of the inventors identifying the application by the international application number and the international filing date. The time for response was set to expire two (2) months from the date of the Notification of Missing Requirements, i.e., on December 30, 2001, extendible under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a)(1) to April 30, 2002 if accompanied by a petition for extension of time and the fees set in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (a). In response to this Notification of

Missing Requirements, Applicants' representatives timely filed the following documents in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on Decemb r 20, 2001:

- (1) A Transmittal in Response to Notification of Missing Requirements;
- (2) a Declaration for Non-Provisional Patent Application executed by Maria Gabriella Santoro;
- (3) a Declaration for Non-Provisional Patent Application executed by Stanley Michael Roberts;
- (4) a Declaration for Non-Provisional Patent Application executed by Thierry Guyot; and
- (5) a copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office.

A copy of each of these documents is attached hereto as Exhibit B.

Further, in support of this assertion, enclosed is a copy of the Post-Card Receipt which was returned to Applicants' representatives stamped received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on December 20, 2001, evidencing receipt by the United States Patent and Trademark Office of the listed document; and a copy of our log of Express Mail Certification for December 20, 2001, indicating that the response was deposited with the United States Postal Service on that date, using the "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under Express Mail Label No. EL 477 033 139 US. A copy of each of these documents is attached hereto as Exhibit C.

Applicants respectfully contend that the Notice of Abandonment dated July 11, 2002 was issued in error and that the holding of abandonment should be withdrawn. As demonstrated by the above-mentioned facts and accompanying Exhibits, a complete response to the October 30, 2001 Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office was timely filed within the six month statutory period for response. Clearly, there was no abandonment in fact.

In the event that the United States Patent and Trademark Office does not agree with Applicants' position, Applicants petition for revival of the application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b). The facts establish, and it is hereby stated, that abandonment was unintentional. As explained herein, a response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office dated October 30, 2001 was timely filed (Exhibit B) and received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (Exhibits B and

C). Consequently, if Applicants' request for withdrawal of abandonment is denied, this alternative request for revival under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) should be granted.

It is believed that there is no fee required for Applicants' request for reconsideration, since the request arises as a result of an error by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. However, if payment of a fee is required, please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. In the event this paper is treated as a Rule 137(b) petition, please charge the required fee to the aforementioned deposit account. A copy of this sheet is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

Date July 18, 2002

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NOTIFICATION OF ABANDONMENT

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 Applicant has failed to respond to the notification of MISSING REQUIREMENTS, mailed 10/30/2001 within the time period set therein.

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Therefore, the above identified application falled to meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1,495, and is ABANDONED AS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be malled to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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Application of: Santoro et al.

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In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. §

371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office, mailed October 30, 2001 (a copy of which is attached), Applicants submit herewith three counterparts of a Declaration For Non-Provisional Patent Application ("Declaration"), the first executed by Inventor Maria Gabriella Santoro, the second executed by Inventor Stanley Michael Roberts and the third executed by Inventor Thierry Guyot.

It is estimated that the fee for filing the Declarations for a small entity is \$65.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this paper is submitted herewith for accounting purposes.

Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified documents be made of record in the present application file.

Respectfully submitted,

Date December 20, 2001

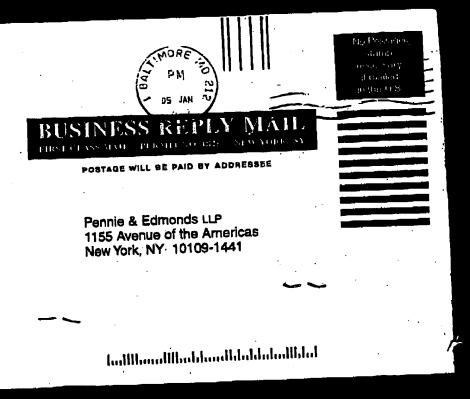
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

 Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the international application number and international filing date.

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